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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:	Paul Bale, et al.	
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Title of Application:	Central Network For Vehicle Dynamics And Ride Control Systems Having Distributed Electronic Control Units	
Group Art Unit: 8081	Examiner: Torres, Melanie	

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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**RESPONSE TO OFFICIAL ACTION**

Dear Sir:

This is a response to the outstanding Office Action mailed December 15, 2004. Please enter this Response to Official Action in the above-referenced application. Applicant believes that no fee is due in connection with the filing of this Response. However, if any fee is due please charge Deposit Account No. 19-4516.

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January 7, 2005

  
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The Examiner has required the Applicant to elect a single disclosed species for prosecution on the merits to which the claims shall be restricted if no generic claim is finally held to be allowable. The Examiner has identified the following two species: Species A (Figures 1-3) and Species B (Figures 4-5).

Applicant hereby elects to prosecute Species B (Figures 4-5) at this time. Applicant respectfully submits that all of Claims 1-29 are readable on Species B, as all of Claims 1-29 require at least one distributed electronic control unit (the inclusion of which is the main distinction between Species A and Species B). As such, Applicant respectfully submits that all claims should be entitled to consideration at this time.

Respectfully submitted,



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